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TAGS: MARR, SEATO

SUBJECT: SEATO: GVN REQUEST THAT ARTICLE IV OF MANILA

BE INVOKED

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1. SEATO SECGEN TRANSMITTED TO COUNCIL REPS TODAY
REQUEST RECEIVED FROM GVN MINISTER OF FOREIGN
AFFAIRS VUONG VAN BAC, DATED JAN. 21 THAT IN ACCORD-
ANCE WITH ARTICLE 4 OF MANILA PACT, SECGEN CONSULT
WITH MEMBER GOVERNMENTS REGARDING THE "GRAVE SITUATION"
IN PARACELS AND APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO DEAL WITH IT. SECGEN
HAS REQUESTED COUNCIL REPS' VIEWS ON MATTER.

2. PERTINENT PORTION OF GVN NOTE RELATED TO ACTUAL
REQUEST IS AS FOLLOWS:

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BEGIN QUOTE: AS A SMALL STATE FORMALLY DESIGNATED BY

STATES MEMBERS TO ENJOY THE PROTECTION OF THE SOUTH
EAST ASIA COLLECTIVE DEFENSE TREATY IN CASE OF AGGRESSION
BE MEANS OF ARMED ATTACK FROM THE OUTSIDE, AS PROVIDED
IN ARTICLE IV OF THE MANILA TREATY OF SEPTEMBER 8, 1954,
THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM, WHOSE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY IS
PRESENTLY VIOLATED BY A MAJOR MILITARY POWER, NAMELY
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, CALLS ON THE STATES MEMBERS
OF THE SOUTH EAST ASIA COLLECTIVE DEFENSE TREATY TO CON*-
SIDER WAYS AND MEANS TO REMEDY THE DANGEROUS SITUATION
CAUSED BY THE ARMED AGGRESSION OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC
OF CHINA. I THEREFORE KINDLY REQUEST YOU TO CONSULT
WITH THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE STATES MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH
EAST ASIA COLLECTIVE DEFENSE TREATY ON APPROPRIATE
MEASURES TO BE TAKEN IN VIEW OF THE GRAVITY OF THE
SITUATION. END QUOTE.

3. AFP HS PICKEDUP RVN REQUEST TO SEATO, REPORTEDLY
OUT OF SAIGON.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPARTMENT'S VIEWS ON HOW
SECGEN SHOULD REPLY TO GVN NOTE. AS OTHER MEMBER'S
VIEWS BECOME KNOWN, THEY WILL BE REPORTED. TEXT OF
GVN NOTE BEING AIRPOUCHED TO EA/RA AND AMEMBASSY SAIGON.
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